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- (7) Tanks which are intended to hold liquids, and which form part of the subdivision of the vessel, shall be tested for tightness upon completion of construction with water to-a-head up to the deepest subdivision load line or to-a-head corresponding to ¾ of the depth from the top of the keel to the margin line in way of the tanks, whichever is greater; but in no case shall the test-head be less than 3 feet above the top of the tank.
- (8) The tests referred to in the preceding paragraphs (a) (5), (6), and (7) of this section are for the purpose of insuring that the subdivision structural arrangements are watertight and are not regarded as a test of the fitness of any compartment for the storage of oil, fuel or for other specific purposes for which a test of a superior character may be required depending upon the height to which the liquid has access in the tank or its connections.

(b) [Reserved]

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16903, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 79-023, 48 FR 51007, Nov. 4, 1983]

§ 72.01-90 Vessels contracted for prior to November 19, 1952.

(a) Existing structure previously approved will be considered satisfactory so long as it is maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Minor repairs and alterations may be made to the same standard as the original construction.

(b) [Reserved]

[CGFR 65–50, 30 FR 16903, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGFR 66–33, 31 FR 15281, Dec. 6, 1966]

Subpart 72.03—General Fire Protection

§ 72.03-1 Application.

- (a) The provisions of this subpart shall apply to all vessels.
 - (b) [Reserved]

§72.03-5 Fire hazards to be minimized.

- (a) The general construction of the vessel shall be such as to minimize fire hazards insofar as is reasonable and practicable.
 - (b) [Reserved]

§ 72.03–10 Woodwork insulated from heated surfaces.

- (a) Internal combustion engine exhausts, boiler and galley uptakes and similar sources of ignition shall be kept clear of and suitably insulated from any woodwork or other combustible matter.
 - (b) [Reserved]

§ 72.03-15 Lamp room construction.

- (a) Lamp, paint, and oil lockers and similar compartments shall be constructed of steel or shall be wholly lined with metal.
 - (b) [Reserved]

Subpart 72.04—Navigation Bridge Visibility

§72.04-1 Navigation bridge visibility.

Each passenger vessel which is 100 meters (328 feet) or more in length and contracted for on or after September 7, 1990, must meet the following requirements:

- (a) The field of vision from the navigation bridge, whether the vessel is in a laden or unladen condition, must be such that:
- (1) From the conning position, the view of the sea surface is not obscured forward of the bow by more than the lesser of two ship lengths or 500 meters (1640 feet) from dead ahead to 10 degrees on either side of the vessel. Within this arc of visibility any blind sector caused by cargo, cargo gear, or other permanent obstruction must not exceed 5 degrees.
- (2) From the conning position, the horizontal field of vision extends over an arc from at least 22.5 degrees abaft the beam on one side of the vessel, through dead ahead, to at least 22.5 degrees abaft the beam on the other side of the vessel. Blind sectors forward of the beam caused by cargo, cargo gear, or other permanent obstruction must not exceed 10 degrees each, nor total more than 20 degrees, including any blind sector within the arc of visibility described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.
- (3) From each bridge wing, the field of vision extends over an arc from at least 45 degrees on the opposite bow,